

2008 Elisabeth Potter Historic Preservation Advocacy & Education Awards

The Elisabeth Potter Historic Preservation Advocacy and Education Awards are given each year by the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The awards are named in honor of Elisabeth Walton Potter, who as historian for the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department in 1966 was the first staff member of the federally-mandated statewide program in historic preservation. Mrs. Potter retired in 1998 as long-time program coordinator responsible for nominations to the National Register of Historic Places.

This year a total of \$7,500 is available in award funds to be distributed among recipients for the express purpose of helping them cover travel expenses to a historic preservation-related conference or workshop chosen by the award winner and approved by the SHPO. Eligible travel expenses include transportation (e.g., air fare/airport shuttle, personal vehicle mileage), lodging, meals, and conference registration fees.

The SHPO encourages applications from every region of Oregon. Awards are competitive and will be based on information provided in the application. A clear and compelling statement regarding an important historic preservation advocacy or education need in the applicant's local community will carry the most weight in selecting award recipients. After attending the conference, award recipients will be expected to provide the SHPO with a written report about their learning experiences and ways they intend to apply what was learned to historic preservation advocacy or education efforts in their community.

Deadline for submission of applications is **5 p.m. on May 16, 2008**. Award winners should be announced by June 1. Mail signed and completed application form to David Bogan, SHPO/Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, 725 Summer Street NE, Suite C, Salem, OR 97301. For more information, email David.Bogan@state.or.us, or call (503) 986-0671.

APPLICATION FORM

2008 ELISABETH POTTER HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVOCACY AND EDUCATION AWARDS

To qualify for the 2008 Elisabeth Potter Historic Preservation Advocacy and Education Awards individuals must be at least 18 years of age and be a resident of the state of Oregon.

1. **Applicant's name, mailing address, phone number & email address:**

2. **Describe your involvement with past or current historic preservation projects.**

3. **Identify a particular historic preservation advocacy or education need in your local community that could benefit by your attendance at a specific conference or workshop training session. Describe how knowledge gained from this learning experience could be effectively used to address the historic preservation advocacy or education need in your local community.**

4. **Provide information on the conference or workshop* you wish to attend by briefly outlining the session(s) that are relevant to historic preservation advocacy or education. If available, list website links or attach other informational material.**

5. **Applicant's signature** _____

Date _____

***The SHPO uses a broad definition for "historic preservation" in evaluating an appropriate conference or workshop that a Potter Award applicant may be considering.** A variety of historic preservation-related conferences/workshops are often advertised on the Internet. It is the applicant's responsibility to research information about a selected conference/workshop to determine if it can provide the necessary content to effectively address the historic preservation advocacy or education need stated in part # 3 of this award application. The SHPO can also offer assistance in locating an appropriate conference venue. Please call **(503) 986-0671** for more information or questions about this award, or email David.Bogan@state.or.us.

Conferences/workshops must be located within the United States and take place between July 1, 2008-June 30, 2009. Award winners will be responsible for arranging their own travel itinerary, mode of travel, and lodging as well as satisfying all conference registration requirements. An agreement between the award recipient and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department must be signed by both parties prior to any distribution of award funds and before any travel by the award recipient to a SHPO-approved conference or workshop.

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